YOUR CASE INFORMATION

The Police Department relies on a number of factors available in any report to assign a follow-up investigation. Experience has proven that certain information must normally be determined at the time of the preliminary investigation before a case has the potential for being solved.

Without suspects, witnesses, evidence, or other investigative leads, a case cannot be solved except under special circumstances.

If you should have any additional information concerning this case, you wish to check the status of your case, or you need a copy of your report, contact the Williamsburg Police Department at 757-220-2331. Please provide the following information when calling:

Case Number

Reporting Officer

YOUR PROTECTION

If you have a medical emergency, feel threatened, or fear for your safety in any way, call 911 immediately.

If you wish to gain knowledge about how to protect yourself, your home, your business or your property against criminal acts, call the Crime Prevention Unit at 757-259-7213 to schedule an appointment for a free security survey of your premises.

TRANSPORTATION

If you are unable to obtain transportation to a safe place or a medical facility, please contact the Police Department at 757-220-2331.

RESOURCES Law Enforcement: Emergency 911 Williamsburg City Police Administration..... 220-2331 James City Police Dispatch......566-0112 City of Williamsburg Police......220-2331 VA Peninsula Regional Jail.....820-3900 Legal Services: Commonwealth's Attorney's Office 564-2277 Magistrate......820-3905 Lawyer Referral Service......800-552-7977 Counseling: Bacon Street (substance abuse)......253-0111 Children's Services: Child Protective Services (JCC)......259-3201

Medical Services:

Sentarra Williamsburg Comm. Hospital......259-6000 Olde Towne Medical Center......253-3258

Shelters:

Avalon (for women & children)258-5051*

* This number is a 24 hour help line

Courts:

 Juvenile & Domestic Relations
 564-2200

 General District
 564-2400

 Circuit Court
 564-2242

Community Services:

Your Rights...

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REQUEST FOR NOTIFICATION OF PRISONER RELEASE

Prisoner Name:	
Charge (if known):	
Victim's Name:	
Victim's Address:	
Victim's Phone Numbers:	
Home:	
Work:	
Cell:	
For VPRJ USE ONLY	
Individual was called by	(Officers Name)
On/ at	(Time)

Williamsburg/James City County Victim/Witness Assistance Program 757-564-2299

VICTIM/WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM

If you are the victim of a crime, the Williamsburg/James City County Victim/Witness Assistance Program is available to help you. They are located in the Williamsburg/JCC Courthouse and can be reached from 8:30am to 5:00pm, Monday through Friday, at 757-564-2299. This program provides many services to crime victims including:

- > Crisis counseling and referrals
- > Information about your case status
- Explanation of the criminal justice system and other options available to you, such as protective orders
- Courtroom assistance including court accompaniment, preparation to testify, courtroom tours, confidentiality of address and telephone numbers, etc.
- Assistance in requesting notification of a prisoner's release
- ➤ Information regarding temporary safe housing (Avalon)
- > Assistance in preparing Victim Impact Statements
- Information regarding the Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund and other financial assistance

TO OBTAIN A WARRANT

If you wish to obtain a warrant for a suspect's arrest, you may do so by contacting Police Communications at 757-220-2331. If you wish to obtain a warrant for a misdemeanor charge, you may also contact the Magistrate at the Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail at 757-820-3905. The Magistrate is on duty 24 hours a day. All felony crimes should be reported to the Police Department.

NOTIFICATION OF PRISONER RELEASE

As a result of Virginia's 1995 Crime Victim and Witness Rights Act, victims have the right to be notified upon a defendant's release from jail/prison. If a prisoner is being held in our local Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail and you wish to be notified of his or her release, **you must request that notification in writing.** To do so, fill out the form on this page and give it to the responding officer or call The Victim/Witness Assistance Program office during normal business hours at 757-564-2299.

If you move or change your telephone number, remember, it is your responsibility to send written notification to the Virginia Peninsula Regional Jail, Attention: Records, 9320 Merrimac Trail, Williamsburg, VA 23185.

EMERGENCY PROTECTIVE ORDERS (EPO)

If an officer has at least a reasonable belief that family abuse has occurred and there exists probable danger of further abuse, the officer shall petition a judge or magistrate to issue an EPO. A victim can also request an EPO directly from a magistrate.

If you have been given an EPO, please contact The Victim/Witness Assistance Program Office at 757-564-2299 during business hours. Most EPO's are effective for only 72 hours. Victim/Witness staff will instruct you on how to request a protective order that will be in effect for a longer period of time.